Progress on Thar-Bin Qasim rail link reviewed

By Our Correspondent

MIRPURKHAS: A delegation of the Sindh Energy Department conducted a comprehensive site visit at Chhor near Umerkot to review progress on the critical 105-kilometre railway line connecting the Thar coal mines to Bin Qasim.

The delegation, comprising Sindh Energy Secretary Shahab Qamar Ansari, Mirpurkhas Commissioner Faisal Uqali and other senior officials of the Energy Department, visited the key infrastructure project aimed at bolstering Pakistan's energy security through efficient coal transport.

The project also includes a nine-kilometre track extension from Bin Qasim to Port Qasim and a dedicated coal unloading facility at the port.

According to an official statement, Sindh Chief Minister Syed Murad Ali Shah has emphasised that the railway line will integrate the Thar coal mines with the national railway network and Port Qasim, enabling seamless coal transportation.

Valued at approximately Rs90 billion, the project is being funded jointly by the Sindh and federal governments.

Expressing satisfaction with the project's overall progress, the secretary directed all teams to accelerate construction activities.

He commended the strong collaboration of Pakistan Railways and the Frontier Works Organisation (FWO) in advancing the project's implementation.

Project officials delivered a detailed briefing on the construction status.

Underscoring the need for timely completion, the secretary stressed enhanced coordination among stakeholders, including mining and power companies, to meet deadlines.

Two brothers killed in firing

By Our Correspondent

SUKKUR: Two brothers were killed in firing between two rival groups of the Jatoi community along the Manik-je-Wandh village within the jurisdiction of Gaheja police station near Madeji town of Shikarpur on Wednesday.

During the indiscriminate firing, two brothers Gul Deen Tarrat Jatoi and Arif Tarrat Jatoi, sons of Abdul Latif Tarrat Jatoi, sustained fatal gunshot wounds and died on the spot.

HYDERABAD: Two men sitting around a bonfire to beat the chill on the cold winter evening on Wednesday.— Umair Ali

Jirga fines policeman Rs8m for killing man

By Our Correspondent

SUKKUR: A Jirga imposed a Rs8million fine on a police official for allegedly killing a prominent man of the Jafari community in a staged encounter over 30 months ago near Mandhani checkpost within the jurisdiction of the Ghouspur police station in Tangwani town of Kandhkot-Kashmore.

A significant tribal settlement (*faislo*) has resolved the murder case of Ghulam Hussain Jafari, a prominent figure of the Jafari community who was killed in a fake police encounter two and a half years ago near Mandhani Checkpost.

Mir Shahzain Khan Bijarani and Raja Ghous Bakhsh Khan Bijarani presided over the Jirga held in the village of Muhammad Amin Jafari where a large number of community elders and local notables attended the proceedings.

The mediators found the primary suspect, policeman Karim Bakhsh (aka K.B.) Dahani, guilty and fined him Rs8million.

On this occasion, following the local custom of *jholi jhalan* (begging for mercy), Rs200,000 were waived and the accused party paid Rs500,000 on the spot to the heirs of the deceased.

Members of the rival parties embraced each other and formally ended the enmity.

Ghulam Hussain Jafari was killed and two others were injured in an alleged police encounter.

Karampur SHO Ghulam Shabbir Bhayo and another police official, Jehangir Chandio, had previously reached settlements with the bereaved family to clear their names from the case, while K.B. Dahani remained the primary accused until today's settlement.

Notices issued on plea against appointment of LUH chief

By Mohammad Hussain Khan

HYDERABAD: The Sindh High Court has issued notices to the chief secretary and others on a petition challenging the appointment of health official Syed Irshad Hussain Kazmi as the medical superintendent of the Liaquat University Hospital (LUH) despite the fact that his licence remained suspended for the past five years by the Pakistan Medical and Dental Council (PMDC).

The Hyderabad circuit bench comprising Justice Adnan ul Karim Memon and Justice Riazat Ali Sahar also put on notice the Sindh health secretary, director general of Health Services, Mr Kazmi and PMDC for Feb 3.

Earlier, the matter was fixed for Dec 19, 2025 but it was adjourned for Jan 7.

Petitioner Shahzaib Soahil, who was represented by Raja Arsalan, had moved the high court on the ground that Mr Kazmi was posted on Nov 13 as LUH medical superintendent despite fact that his medical licence (Registration No 23554-S) stood suspended for five years on the orders of the disciplinary committee of the PMDC.

According to the petition, Mr Kazmi was penalised for allegedly preparing a false, erroneous and fabricated post-mortem report of deceased Faisal Ramzan Mugheri. He was charged with committing medical misconduct, professional negligence and falsification of medico-legal evidence. The PMDC subsequently suspended his licence for five years and imposed a fine of Rs500,000.

However, Mr Kazmi filed an appeal (188-C-MT-01/2023) before the medical tribunal, challenging disciplinary order passed by the PMDC's disciplinary committee. But no interim relief, suspension/stay was granted by the tribunal against disciplinary order in his favour, the petitioner added.

Consequently, the petitioner said, suspension remained valid in the eyes of the law and the respondent "continued to be a person legally debarred from practicing medicine" or holding medical/administrative post that required an active PMDC licence.

The bench was informed that the chief secretary and the health secretary posted him as the MS in a major public hospital.

The petitioner termed the appointment "a mockery of public health administration" and stated that it violated statutory rules and defeated the very purpose of regulatory oversight entrusted to PMDC.

He argued that without a valid licence Mr Kazmi supervised medical staff, sign medical/administrative documents requiring medical authority, oversee medico-legal matters or issue certifications or oversee hospital operations requiring professional competence thus very qualification for the post stands absent.

Referring to Sections 38 and 42 of the PMDC Act 2023 that states "no person may practice medicine or hold any medical or relevant administrative appointment unless he possesses a valid and active registration", he submitted that upon suspension under Section 44 the practitioner's name stands removed from the register during the suspension period.

He asked the court to issue a writ of quo warranto, declaring that Mr Kazmi was not legally entitled to hold office of the MS of the LUH and his appointment was liable to be struck down.

SHC CJ advises young lawyers to adapt to modern era

By Our Correspondent

SUKKUR: Sindh High Court Chief Justice Zafar Ahmed Rajput has advised young lawyers to work according to the requirements of the modern era, noting that they have more learning opportunities available than in previous times.

Addressing the District Bar Council Ghotki on Wednesday, he observed future belonged to the youth.

A statement released by the district information office Ghotki, Mirpur Mathelo, quoted the chief justice as saying: "Today I am the Chief Justice of Sindh, tomorrow someone else will be; this is the process of succession that will continue. To achieve something, young lawyers must work hard with honesty," he expressed.

He mentioned that the recruitment process for judicial magistrates was underway, and the shortage of judges in Sindh would be eliminated within a few months in Sindh.

He added that in accordance with the vision of the Chief Justice of Pakistan, the District and Sessions Court Ghotki, along with the courts in Mirpur Mathelo, Daharki and Ubauro, will be provided with facilities in two phases.

PEOPLE'S PRIMARY HEALTHCARE INITIATIVE, BALOCHISTAN

(Regd. Under Section 42 of Companies Ordinance, 1984)

PPHI-B

TENDER NOTICE

Tender No	Description	Closing / Opening Date & Time
PPHI-BALOCHISTAN/ H.O BLN/ Supply Chain/ logistics/ 2025-26/01	Hiring of Courier and Logistics Services for Medicines Supply	Pre - Bid Meeting: 16 Jan, 2026 at 2:00 pm. (PPHI-B Head Office) Bid Submission: 26 Jan, 2026 Till 11:00 A.M Technical Opening: 26 Jan, 2026 Till 12:00 P.M Financial Opening: Shall be communicated to qualified bidders after technical evaluation.

Invites tender from FBR/BRA active filers (companies/firms) Tender fee is RS 2000/- (non-refundable) in the form of pay Orders/ Demand Draft in favor of People's Primary Healthcare Initiative – Balochistan. Tender Documents with detail of required work can be downloaded from PPHI-Balochistan website at **http://pphib.org/pphi-b/tenders/** The bid must be accompanied by a Security Deposit of PKR 500,000/- in the shape of a Call Deposit in favor of People's Primary Healthcare Initiative – Balochistan. The bids, along with the company profile, must be submitted to the Manager Admin, PPHI-Balochistan Head Office, Quetta.

MANAGER ADMIN

PPHI - BALOCHISTAN. TEL: 081-2863620

BEFORE MR. MUHAMMAD AHSAN KHAN DURRANI (JUDGE)
IN THE BANKING COURT NO. IV, AT KARACHI
Block-48-A- Pakistan Secretariat, Saddar, Karachi
SUIT NO. 224 OF 2025

Messsr. United Bank Limed,

Having its registered Head office at UBL Tower I. I. Chundrigar Road Karachi ..... **PLAINTIFF**

VERSUS

FAISAL ALI, S/o **MUHAMMAD RASHEED,**

Muslim adult resident of barrack No. 1 room. No. 4 school of Army Air Defence near 4 Dots Market Malir CA,

II, Kashmiri Society, Matli District Badin Karachi. ..... **DEFENDANTS**

To. The abovenamed Defendants

Whereas the abovenamed Plaintiff has instituted a Suit against you under section 9(1) of the Financial Institutions (Recovery of Finances) Ordinance 2001 (XLVI of 2001) for recovery of **Rs. 139,249.04 ALONG WITH CREDIT CARD NO. (4105240003483607)** you are hereby summoned to obtain leave from this Court within (Thirty) 30 days from the date of first service hereof to defend the suit. In default of your doing so, the allegations of fact in the plaint shall be deemed to be admitted and this court may pass a decree in favor of the plaintiff on the basis thereof.

Leave to appear may be obtained on an application in the form or written statement containing a summary of substantial questions of law as well as facts in respect of which evidence needs to be recorded.

Returnable by 29th day of January, 2026 at 8:30 am before the banking court IV at Karachi.

Given under my hand and seal of the court on 26th of December 2025.

BY ORDER
READER
BANKING COURT No. IV,
KARACHI

BEFORE: MR.MUHAMMAD AHSAN KHAN DURRANI (JUDGE)
IN THE BANKING COURT-IV, AT KARACHI
Block-48/A, Pakistan Secretariat, Saddar, Karachi
Suit No. 223 of 2025

M/S. UNITED BANK LIMITED,
HAVING ITS REGISTERED HEAD OFFICE AT UBL TOWER, I.I. CHUNDRIGAR ROAD KARACHI..... **Plaintiff**

Versus

MUHAMMAD SHAHRUK SHEIKH S/O ABDUL RAUF SHEIKH,
MUSLIM, ADULT, RESIDENT OF HOUSE NO. D-145 PAK WILAYATABAD NO. 2 MANGOPIR ROAD, KARACHI..... **Defendants**

To, The above-named Defendants

WHEREAS the Plaintiff above-named has instituted a Suit against you Under Section 9(1) of the Financial Institutions (Recovery of Finances) Ordinance 2001 (XLVI of 2001) for Recovery of **RS. 141,726.62 ALONG WITH CREDIT CARD NO. (410525000883675).** You are hereby summoned to obtain leave from this Court within 30 (thirty) days from the date of first service hereof to defend the Suit In default of your doing so, the allegations of fact in the plaint shall be deemed to be admitted and this Court may pass a Decree in favor of the Plaintiff on the basis thereof.

Leave to appear may be obtained on an application in the form of written statement containing a summary of substantial question of laws as well as facts in respect of which evidence needs to be recorded.

Returnable by 29th day of January, 2026 at 8:30 am before the Banking Court-IV at Karachi.

Given under my hand and seal of the Court on 26th of December, 2025.

BY ORDER
READER,
BANKING COURT NO. IV KARACHI

BEFORE: MR. MUHAMMAD AHSAN KHAN DURRANI (JUDGE)
IN THE BANKING COURT-IV, AT KARACHI
BLOCK-48/A, PAKISTAN SECRETARIAT, SADDAR, KARACHI
Suit No. 227 of 2025

HABIB BANK LTD., HAVING, ITS REGISTERED OFFICE AT HABIB, BANK TOWER, JINNAH AVENUE, BLUE AREA, ISLAMABAD AND PRINCIPAL OFFICE AT HABIB BANK PLAZA, I.I CHUNDRIGAR ROAD, KARACHI..... ***PLAINTIFF***

Versus

DANIYAL SON OF MUHAMMAD ASLAM BALOCH, MUSLIM, ADULT, RESIDENT OF HOUSE NO. MP-477, MOHALAH MAJEED PARA, SHUBAN BAG SHANTI NAGAR, BLOCK-10, KARACHI..... ***DEFENDANTS***

To,

The above-named Defendant

WHEREAS the above-named Plaintiff has instituted a Suit against you Under Section 9 (1) of the Financial Institutions (Recovery of Finances) Ordinance, 2001 (XLVI of 2001) for Recovery of **RS. 222,299.05** You are hereby summoned to obtain leave from this Court within 30 (thirty) days from the date of first service hereof to defend the Suit. In default of your doing so, the allegations of fact in the plaint shall be deemed to be admitted and this Court may pass a Decree in favor of the Plaintiff on the basis thereof.

Leave to appear may be obtained on an application in the form or written statement containing a summary of substantial questions of law as well as facts in respect of which evidence needs to be recorded.

Returnable by **27th** day of **January,** 2026 at 8:30am before the Banking Court-IV at Karachi.

Given under my hand and seal of the Court on 26th of December 2025.

By Order
READER
BANKING COURT-IV KARACHI

BEFORE MR. MUHAMMAD AHSAN KHAN DURRANI (JUDGE)
IN THE BANKING COURT NO. IV, AT KARACHI
Block-48-A- Pakistan Secretariat, Saddar, Karachi
SUIT NO. 226 OF 2025

Messr United Bank Limed,

Having its registered office at UBL Building, I. I. Chundrigar Raod Karachi..... **PLAINTIFF**

VERSUS

SYED SHAMIM ALI S/o SYED HAMEEDUDDIN, Muslim, Adult, Resident of house No. 608 Sector 5C-1 North near Global School Karachi..... **DEFENDENTS**

To. The abovenamed Defendants

Whereas the Plaintiff abovenamed has instituted a Suit against you under section 9 (1) of the Financial Institutions (Recovery of Finances) Ordinance 2001 (XLVI of f 2001) for recovery of **Rs. 130,824.00 ALONG WITH CREDIT CARD NO. (4105240003534417)** you are hereby summoned to obtain leave from the Court within (Thirty) 30 days from the date of first service hereof to defend the suit. In default of your doing so, the allegations of fact in the plaint shall be deemed to be admitted and this court may pass a decree in favor of the plaintiff on the basis thereof.

Leave to appear may be obtained on an application in the form or written statement containing a summary of substantial questions of law as well as facts in respect of which evidence needs to be recorded.

Returnable by 29th day of January 2026 at 8:30 am before the banking court IV at Karachi.

Given under my hand and seal of the court on 26the of December 2025.

BY ORDER
READER
BANKING COURT No. IV,
KARACHI

IN LOVING MEMORY OF

Khawaja Arif Majid

18 July 1935 — 8 January 2000

26 years have passed
You are greatly missed
And still remain dear to us.

Khursheed A. Majid Aleem
& Zakia Majid
Farah Majid
Saeeda & Salman Zia
Grandchildren

إِنَّا لِلَّهِ وَإِنَّا إِلَيْهِ رَاجِعُونَ

NAZ KHALID (NAZO)

wife of Kunwar Khalid Yunus

passed away peacefully on 6th Jan, 2026. A beloved wife, mother, sister, cousin, aunt, grandmother and friend.

She was the heart and pillar of her family, her home was always open, her arms always welcoming, and her love for everyone around her was endless.

She will be deeply missed and lovingly remembered always.

Kunwar Khalid Yunus (Husband) 0300-8231222

Maria Kunwar and Kashif Mumtaz Shaikh
(Daughter and Son-in-law) 0321-2686733

Kunwar Nasir Tehseen (Brother) 0300-8222357

Nighat Kanwar (Sister)